



4

Dept.: E/M

OSMM&N File No. 210029US3 DIV

By: SPW/CDW/brf

✓ Serial No. 09/886,213

In the matter of the Application of: Yuji MATSUYAMA, et al.

For: HEAT TREATMENT METHOD, HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS
AND TREATMENT SYSTEM

Due Date: MAY 27, 2005

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon

■ Information Disclosure Statement

■ PTO-1449

■ Cited References 5



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yuji MATSUYAMA et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/886,213

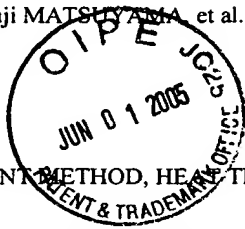
FILED: June 22, 2001

GAU: 1762

EXAMINER: JOLLEY, K.

DATE ALLOWED: March 3, 2005

FOR: HEAT TREATMENT METHOD, HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS AND TREATMENT SYSTEM



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- ☒ The Applicants wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- ☐ A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- ☐ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
- ☐ A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

CERTIFICATION

- ☐ Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- ☐ No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.


Steven P. Weihrouch


Registration No. 32,829
Joseph Scafetta, Jr.
Registration No. 26,803

Christopher D. Ward
Registration No. 41,367

Customer Number

22850

Tel. (703) 413-3000
Fax. (703) 413-2220
(OSMMN 05/03)

Form PTO 1449 (Modified)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY DOCKET NO. 210029US3DIV		SERIAL NO. 09/886,213	
LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>				APPLICANT Yuji MATSUYAMA, et al.			
				FILING DATE June 22, 2001		GROUP 1762	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA						
	AB						
	AC						
	AQ						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						
	AL						
	AM						
	AN						
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION		
					YES	NO	
	AQ	2000-091218	03/31/2000	Japan w/ English abstract		X	
	AP	11-045843	02/16/1999	Japan w/ English abstract		X	
	AQ	11-008175	01/12/1999	Japan w/ English abstract		X	
	AR	63-164216	07/07/1988	Japan w/ English abstract		X	
	AS	61-201426	09/06/1986	Japan w/ English abstract		X	
	AT						
	AU						
	AV						
OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)							
	AW						
	AX						
	AY						
	AZ					<input type="checkbox"/> Additional References sheet(s) attached	
Examiner					Date Considered		
*Examiner: Initial if reference is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							